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Doubling of Railway Tracks
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has fixed any target of doubling 12,000 km of existing corridors in the next five years and if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of new railway tracks in kilometer that have been doubled during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a): Targets for doubling/ multiple lines are fixed on yearly basis subject to availability of funds and progress made in individual projects. Targets for projects are affected by impediments like (i) land acquisition, (ii) forestry & wild life clearances, (iii) shifting of services, (iv) construction of road over and road under bridges by road maintaining agencies (v) law & order issues in addition to availability of funds, and many of these items are beyond control of Railways. Indian Railways has fixed target of 1200 kilometres of doubling/multiple line for the year 2015-16.

(b): During the last three years i.e. 2012-13, 2013-14 & 2014-15, 2118 Kms of tracks have been doubled.
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